

December 14, 2009

The Honorable Dave Freudenthal
Governor, State of Wyoming
State Capitol Building
200 W. 24th Street
Cheyenne, WY 82002

Dear Governor Freudenthal,

The Climate Issues Committee met on November 30, 2009, to address timely climate issues by reviewing current climate issues and discuss possible future climate-related impacts. This meeting provided an opportunity for information to be shared between the various participants. Current climate-related issues were identified and reports of actions to mitigate the impacts were given.

For your review, we are providing the written reports which capture each member's issues as well as a report summarizing the overall meeting. These reports are presented per the guidelines of our letter dated May 9, 2008, and are respectfully submitted within ten working days of the Climate Issues Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Jason Fearneyhough
Director, Wyoming Department of Agriculture
Co-chair, Wyoming Climate Issues Committee

Bill Crapser
Wyoming State Forester
Co-chair, Wyoming Climate Issues Committee

Cc: Governor's Office
Department of Agriculture
State Forestry Division
Game and Fish Department
Office of State Lands & Investments
Division of State Parks and Historic Sites
Department of Environmental Quality
Military Department - Adjutant General
State Engineer's Office
Water Development Office
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UW – State Climatologist/Director, Water Resource Data System

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Wyoming Timber Industry Association
Wyoming Woolgrowers Association
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